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> PATENT 2520-0120P

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Tomokazu NAGANO et al. Conf.:

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Examiner: B. BUNNER

For:

A METHOD OF TREATING ISCHEMIC DISEASE BY

INTRAMUSCULAR ADMINISTRATION OF

HEPATOCYTE GROWTH FACTOR

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 23, 2004

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated February 24, 2004 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 16, 19, 20, 24, 25, 28 and 29.

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The applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of three (3) month(s) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a).

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

- 冈 NO extensions of time have been previously obtained for responding to the Final Rejection. Thus a fee of \$950.00 is required for the <u>full period</u> of the above-requested extension of time.
- An extension of ____() month(s) for responding to the Final Rejection was previously requested and paid for on . Thus a fee of \$0.00 is required to obtain an

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| | additional() mor Appeal. | th(s) for filing the Notice of |
| | ☐ Applicant claims small ent | ity status. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.27. |
| | The Government fee for filing a Appeals is calculated as follow | Notice of Appeal to the Board of s: |
| 1 | ☐ Large entity - \$330.0 | 0 |
| | ☐ Small Entity - \$165.0 | 0 |
| | Therefore, the TOTAL FEE due Appeal is \$1,280.00. | for the filing of this Notice of |
| | Payment of the above TOTAL FE manner: | E is being made in the following |
| • • | $oxed{\boxtimes}$ Check(s) in the amount of | \$1,280.00 is/are enclosed. |
| | Please charge Deposit Accessors \$0.00. A triplicate copy of | ount No. 02-2448 in the amount of this sheet is attached. |
| If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees. | | |
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